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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the Abstract with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- A miter saw including a base, a table rotatably attached to the base, a saw assembly movable between a front position and a rear position, the saw assembly comprising a trunnion, a pivot arm pivotally attached to the trunnion, an upper blade guard connected to the pivot arm, a motor attached to the upper blade guard, and a blade driven by the motor, a support housing connected to one of the table and the saw assembly, at least one rail slidably connected to one of the table and the support housing, and a fence assembly attached to the base, the fence assembly comprising including a fixed fence fixedly attached to the base, a movable fence movably connected to the fixed fence, the movable fence defining a first support plane, and an auxiliary fence disposed behind at least one of the fixed fence and the movable fence, the auxiliary fence defining a second support plane substantially parallel to the first support plane.—

Please replace paragraph 0003 with following rewritten paragraph::

--[0003] Slide miter saws are well known in the art as they provide extended cutting range over non-sliding miter saws. Referring to FIGS. 1-2, typical prior art slide miter saws have a base 11, a rotatable table 12 attached to the base 11, and a saw assembly which comprises a trunnion 16, a pivot arm 17A pivotably attached to trunnion 16, a motor 20 25, a blade 19 driven by the motor 20 25, an upper blade guard 17 for covering an upper part of blade 19, and a lower blade guard 18 pivotally attached to the upper blade guard 17 for covering a lower part of blade 19. Motor 20 25 is typically attached to the upper blade guard 17.--